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Gov. Christine Todd Whitman
Administrator, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency
Ariel Rios Building
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Governor Whitman:

I am pleased to respond to your letter of May 31, 2001 asking Sunoco, Inc. to participate in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Voluntary Children's Chemical Evaluation Program (VCCEP).

Sunoco, Inc. is an active participant in the American Chemistry Council's CHEMSTAR Panels and is committed to stewardship of the products that we manufacture. Of the twenty-three chemicals that were selected for the VCCEP pilot, Sunoco, Inc. manufactures four. We have been working with our peers at the American Chemistry Council forming Consortia to sponsor the four chemicals Sunoco, Inc. manufactures. Consortia have been formed for acetone (CAS No. 67-64-1), benzene (CAS No. 71-43-2), o-xylene (CAS No. 95-47-5), and toluene (CAS No. 108-88-3); each of the Consortia will be sending a commitment letter to EPA outlining their participation.

Sunoco, Inc. is committed to right-to-know and environmental stewardship. We look forward to working with you and your staff on this very important initiative.

Sincerely,

Charles K. Valutas

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